Arcata council hears plans, fields comments

Kevin L. Hoover MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA - The city council last week renewed its annual goals, elected a replacement vice mayor and plunged deep into perhaps the wonkiest and most stupefyingly complex of planning documents, the Local Coast Program (LCP).

Still short-staffed but gradually rebuilding from the depths of the COVID-19 pandemic, the city is also working with a four-person council until a fifth member is elected in June.

A new tax which could support housing programs

gained initial discussion. City Manager Karen Diemer reminded the council that two of the city's key taxes, both of which pay into the General Fund, are set to expire in 2024.

One is the Utility Users Tax, a 3 percent tax on electricity, gas, telecommunications, water and sewer services, which brings in about \$900,000 per years. The other is the Excessive Electricity Tax, a 45 percent tax on electricity use over 600 percent of baseline.

Both taxes could be placed on the ballot for re-**COUNCIL * PAGE 4**

Cell tower planning sees 'social justice' challenge

Daniel Mintz

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - The conflict between expanding broadband and cell phone service to outlying areas and protecting the rural environment has complicated the county Planning Commission's review of a draft telecommunications ordinance.

The commission discussed proposed new rules for siting transmitter towers at its March 3 meeting.

The draft ordinance sets three tiers of approval for cell towers, with the third tier requiring Conditional Use Permits and public hearings before the commission.

The lesser tiers are for smaller-scale, co-located and visually "invisible" transmitters in commercial and industrial districts.

Towers sited in agricultural and Timber Production Zone (TPZ) areas fall under the third tier but those are the areas where cell and broadband service is most needed.

Commissioner Peggy O'Neill vouched for making it

CELL TOWERS * PAGE 4

Housing issues linked to hotel tax increase

Daniel Mintz

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HUMBOLDT - Humboldt County's Board of Supervisors supports asking voters to approve a two percent increase to the county's hotel bed tax and has discussed using the extra revenue to address housing issues.

Increasing the county's Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) from 10 to 12 percent got unanimous board support at its March 1 meeting.

The TOT is a fee on hotel room stays and supervisors approved the introduction of an ordinance that also expands the tax to include privately-owned RV parks and campgrounds.

But there was some

concern about whether the expansion offsets shelter opportunities.

Senior County Administrative Analyst Sean Quincey described the results of voter polling on the proposed TOT increase and revenue spending, which showed 90 percent of respondents naming homelessness as a top concern.

Also ranked as either an "extremely" or "very serious problem" by over 70 percent of the respondents is "both the lack of affordable housing and the cost of housing," Quincey continued.

Concern about crime has decreased from past surveys, from 70 percent to 64 percent, he reported.

TOT TAX ❖ PAGE 5

Bayside roundabout needs county sign-off

Daniel Mintz

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BAYSIDE - Previously described as a City of Arcata matter, the Old Arcata Road safety improvement project includes a roundabout that needs a Humboldt County permit approval.

County Planning Director John Ford gave the Planning Commission an update on the project and its Jacoby Creek Road roundabout at the commission's March 3 meeting.

Ford's update had been requested at the previous meeting after commissioners were told that the project "is not a land use issue that exists for the county."

But at last week's meeting, Ford reported on "information that was just given to us today" -- that part of the new roundabout at the intersection of Jacoby Creek Road and Old Arcata Road falls within a coastal development zone in the county's jurisdiction.

"And so that requires that a coastal development permit be processed by the county," Ford said, adding that Arcata has applied for it.

Commissioner Brian Mitchell, who had previously noted that residents of the Jacoby Creek Road



BORDERLINE PROJECT The blue line is the coastal zone boundary and the black line is the Arcata city limit boundary. The area between the two lines is the county jurisdiction. VIA HUMBOLDT COUNTY WEBSITE

neighborhood live in the county area and deserve representation, asked about the extent of the county's influence on the road project.

Arcata is the project's lead agency and has approved its Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and coastal de-

velopment permit within the city area. Ford said that if the commission wants to declare the city's EIR as inadequate and draft one with a different project alternative, "We would really need to take that up quickly."

ROUNDABOUT * PAGE 5

Auditor-Controller at odds with top staff, supervisor

Daniel Mintz

MAD RIVER UNION HUMBOLDT - Hum-

boldt County's tor-Controller is claiming that several coundepartments have done things that invite fraud and has accused a county supervisor of pressuring staff to rush payments and other transactions.



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Paz Dominguez described a long list of problems, including sloppy handling and lack of financial reporting by

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at the March 1 Board of heard a report on how a long overdue state-mandated financial report has drawn a warning letter from the state Attorney General's Office to Paz Dominguez.

> In her presentation, Dominguez said problems with financial matters are due to failures "of the county as a whole."

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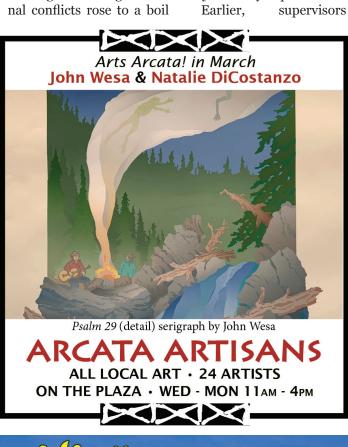
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She described a slew of conditions that create fraud risks, including "edited and manipulated records, unreconciled cash, unreported cash, the submission of unsubstantiated expenditure claims and the interference of a county supervisor."

The allegation of meddling refers to Supervisor PAZ DOMINGUEZ * PAGE 4

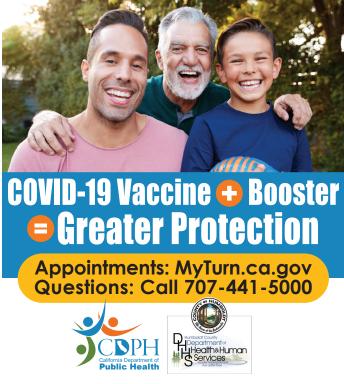
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Food for People moving pantry to Cooper Gulch

FOOD FOR PEOPLE

EUREKA – Food for People's Eureka Choice Pantry is relocating to 1720 10th St,. located directly adjacent to the Cooper Gulch Fields and the Eureka Skate Park. The existing location at 2112 Broadway will close as of Friday, March 25 and no food pantry services will be available that day.

The food pantry will reopen in its new location on Tuesday, March 29. Hours of operation will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday of each week from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (closed 12:30 to 1 p.m. for lunch). In the new location, Food for People will implement an order-ahead model as a new benefit to pantry users.

Please contact pantry staff at (707) 407-0447

Wesleyan Church of the Redwoods Pastor Chuck Clark Coffee/fellowship at 10 a.m.

Traditional worship at 10:30 a.m. Bible Study 7 p.m. Wednesday (Sept. through May)

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for details or to make an appointment. For those traveling by bus, the Eureka Transit System's Purple Route stops at the Burre Center located a quarter mile from the new pantry location.

The relocation of the Eureka Food Pantry has been necessitated by the delay in construction of Food for People's main site. Food for People is in the process of rebuilding their facility following the sewer inundation that occurred in February of 2020.

Due to delays in construction caused by the pandemic and supply shortages, a more stable and long-term option is needed to house Food for People's Eureka food pantry that serves more than 1,000 community members each month.

After long delays, construction materials have been secured and construction of the new food bank is slated to begin, and should provide the pantry a permanent location by 2023.

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Lutheran churches gather for Day of Service Saturday

HUMBOLDT LUTHERAN CHURCHES EUREKA – Members of six Lutheran Churches in Humboldt County will gather this Saturday, March 12 for a Day of Ser-

vice, focusing their efforts on serving the local community.

Bishop Megan Rohrer, the first openly transgender Bishop, of the Sierra Pacific Synod and other members of their staff will team-up with Our Savior's

Rohrer Lutheran Church in Ferndale, Christ Lutheran Church in Fortuna, Lutheran Church of Arcata in Arcata, Calvary Lutheran Church in Eureka, Immanuel Lutheran Church in Eureka and Grace Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in McKinleyville for this day.

The Day of Service will primarily take place in Eureka as the Lutheran churches partner with the PacOut Green Team for a garbage clean-up at the Herrick Avenue Park and Ride, and

the Eureka Rescue Mission for their "God Squad" service morning.

After a morning of volunteering, all are invited to gather in the parking lot of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Eureka for a bringyour-own lunch

and time of fellowship.

You may see individuals around town this Saturday wearing "Lutherans in action" black t-shirts, we invite you to wave hello and join us in serving the local community! Learn more at catherine@spselca.org.

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HELP BRING IN THE VOTE Election workers are needed as the Humboldt County Office of Elections is gearing up for the California Statewide Primary Election on June 7, 2022. Election workers must be able to read and write in fluent English, and either be registered to vote, or a high school student 16-17 years of age with a GPA of 2.5 or greater, or a permanent resident of the United States. All election worker positions are paid. Poll worker positions are a great way to earn experience (individuals as young as 16 can apply), earn extra money and help ensure our election runs smoothly. The Election Worker Overview provides additional information, including specific duties, time commitment and compensation. Complete an application today at humboldtgov.org/2626/Election-Workers.

Bishop Megan

Correction

The article "McK Town Center could go on traffic lane-reducing 'road diet'" (Union, March 2) incorrectly described a proposal to reduce the number

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Senior News takes on close-to-home topic

SENIOR NEWS

HUMBOLDT - If you think you've been aging faster since the pandemic began, you are not alone — and it's not your imagination. The 2020 U.S. Census shows that nearly 24 percent of Humboldt County residents are 60 or older (22 percent nationwide) — the county's and the country's fastest growing demographic.

So there's plenty to discuss in the March issue of Senior News, which focuses on "Aging & Ageism." Senior News is available free online at humsenior. org, and at newsstands all over Humboldt County.

Of course, there are downsides to getting older, as everyone knows. This month's contributors not only reflect on how they experience aging - good and bad — but also discuss frankly how society's ageist attitudes affect their lives.

One of the most feared aspects of aging may be Alzheimer's disease or other dementias. More than 1 percent of Americans 65-plus develop Alzheimer's — including Suzanne Simpson.

was completely shocked when I found out the diagnosis was early-onset Alzheimer's," Suzanne writes in a courageous but "Rolling upbeat article, with the Punches" (page 1).

Other perspectives: · Jane Hill on "Invisibility — the Superpower of

 Debbie Topping on "Bucket Lists and 'That Man," (page 4).

Old Age," (page 3).

• Six writers contribute stories on "Aging in Six

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· Debbe Hartridge on "Talking Past Dad," (page 6) and Kaitlyn Boyes on "Dearie,' Let's Get Rid of Demeaning Elderspeak," (page 15).

· Roy Grieshaber is "Too Old to Change," (page 7).

· Jane P. Woodward wonders, "To Age or Not to Age. Is That the Question?" (page 9). · Louise Bacon-Ogden

on "After All These Years, Still Aging... and Still Learning," (page 9).

· Melissa Hooven suggests "Get the Most Out of It," (page 10).

· Deborah Sypherd on "The Upside: Affirmative and Adventurous Aging," (page 15).

• George Clarke with "A Truth About 'Isms," (page · Ann Lindsay & Pat

Girczyc on "Ageism: It's

Up to Us," (page 21). In news from Humboldt Senior Resource Center, Tasha Romo with "March for Meals' Is 50," and Samantha Day celebrates National Social Worker

Month by "Saluting Social

Workers," (page 11). Wendy Platt Hill & Robert Libershal wish the **Humboldt County Histor**ical Society a "Happy 75th Birthday," (page 17).

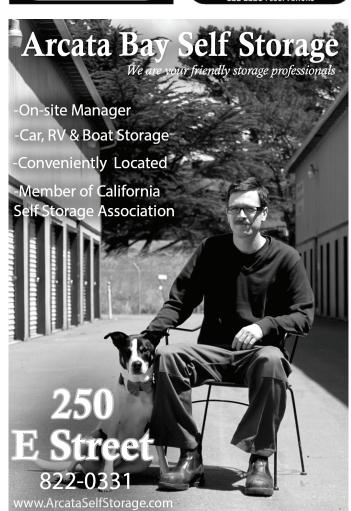
And our regular columnists: Dr. Jennifer Heidmann reflects on a bittersweet spring in her column "For Ina," (page 5); Julie Fulkerson on "Naming" things, (page 6); Margaret Kellermann with "[Whispers in Brackets]," (page 8); John Heckel is [Recognizing Wisdom" (page 10); and Ted Pease recalls "Father William" in his TEDtalks, (page 2).

Senior News launches its new "Poets' Corner" this month with inaugural Humboldt poet Shaunna Oteka McCovey's "First World, Last World." Shaunna also sits down with fellow poet Jerry Martien and SN poetry editor Peter Pennekamp to talk about the role of poetry in their lives (page 23).

Plus the Senior News crossword and more!









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GET OUTSIDE GEAR SALE

Friends of the Dunes is gearing up for the Get Outside Gear Sale and wants your old stuff! Make room for more adventure by donating or consigning your gently used outdoor gear for this annual fundraiser taking place on Saturday, April 9. Donations are now being accepted Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Ln. in Manila. If those dates don't work for you, contact us and we can arrange a different drop off time. Consignment items must be valued at \$40 or higher. The Get Outside Gear Please note we do not accept Sale supports Friends of the

Dunes education and stewardship programs, provides the community with excellent deals on outdoor gear, and encourages buying used which is great for the environment! What is outdoor

gear? Camping and backpacking equipment, fishing LINES Friday, March 18 is gear, kayaks and canoes, gardening tools, surfboards, bikes, field guides, binoculars, hiking boots, pet gear, and so much more! Clear out that storage of gear you no longer use, and score some new-to-you-used gear at the Gear Sale in April!



DONATE Supporters of Friends of the Dunes check out the great bargains at the 2018 Get Outside Gear Sale. The nonprofit is seeking donations of used gear for its annual fundraiser.

skis, snowboards, golf clubs,

skirts, spray weapons, gas canisters, or any moldy items. Please call (707) 444-1397 or visit friendsofthedunes.org/gearsale for more information.

GODWIT CONTESTS DEADthe deadline for receipt of entries in the Student Bird Art Contest and the Student Nature Writing Contest associated with the Godwit Days Spring Migration Bird Festival. The art contest, now in its 19th year, is co-

sponsored by Friends of the

Arcata Marsh and Redwood Region Audubon Society. **Humboldt County students** in grades K through 12 may enter the art contest, while the writing contest, now in its 17th year, is open to Humboldt and Del Norte County students in grades 4 through 12. Flyers with submission instructions for each contest are posted at godwitdays.org (links on right-hand side of home page). Entries must be received by March 18 to be considered. Prizes will be awarded during a ceremony on Saturday, April 16 at the outdoor amphitheater at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary. Any questions should be e-mailed to sueleskiw1@gmail.com.

woods District of the California State Parks invites the public to join Natural Resource volunteers on Saturday, March 12 from 9 a.m. to noon at Sue-meg State Park for a habitat restoration volunteer event. Meet at the Mussel Rock parking lot- look for volunteer event signs. Day use fee is waived for volunteers. We will be removing an invasive, non-native species, English ivy, from the beautiful Sitka spruce forests. Next to habitat loss, invasive non-native species are the greatest threat to maintaining natural diversity. Removing invasive species is a moderate activity and participants are encouraged to wear sturdy shoes and long pants for walking off trail, a hat, work gloves, and bring water. We have extra gloves and tools for volunteers. Work locations are less than a half mile hike from the trailhead. All participants will receive one free day-use pass to Sue-meg State Park (formerly known as Patrick's Point State Park). All ages welcome. Heavy winds or rain will cancel the event. Contact Katrina Henderson at (707) 677-3109 or katrina.henderson@parks. ca.gov with any questions. More Eco-Briefs appear

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newal this year, or in 2024. If passed this year, that would clear the decks for possible introduction of a new ballot measure in two years. A housing-specific tax would require twothirds majority approval by voters, while a tax whose proceeds go to the General Fund could pass by a simple majority.

Councilmember Sarah Schaefer liked that idea. but Councilmember Meredith Matthews was skeptical. Matthews then recused herself from the electricity tax discussion, being an administrator with the Redwood Coast Energy Authority. Mayor Stacy Atkins-Salazar and Councilmember Brett Watson liked the idea of getting a decision on the two existing taxes from the people this year.

The council seemed open to Valley West improvements, and is awaiting findings from the area's Participatory Budgeting process, now underway (see page 5). Councilmembers also praised the work of Arcata Main Street, presently rebuilding its board and budget. Matthews said the group has done "an incredible job," promoting business despite COVID and other obstacles.

The council also expressed support for the Gateway Area Plan (GAP) process. Schaefer asked that the public engagement process be added to council priority projects. "We can create a code that really points development the right way and says, 'This is what we as a community want'," Schaefer said.

A public suggestion that the GAP be changed to a specific plan was followed up on by Councilmember Brett Watson, who said it would offer "a lot more flexibility." He said the GAP could be a standalone plan separate from the General Plan. Community Development Director David Loya explained that specific plans are "a lot more restrictive," with make-or-break time frames and milestones. But Loya said he the matter could be discussed before the Planning Commission.

Schaefer called for closer city and community ties with Cal Poly Humboldt, including collaborations on community projects and regular public presentations.

Watson asked that city meeting minutes and recordings be retained longer than the present two years to five years, so as to allow more detailed research and understanding of the historical record, especially when longterm projects are being considered. Atkins-Salazar and Schaefer liked the idea for its transparency.

A suggestion by Matthews to improve relations with local Indian tribes, and add Wiyot land acknowledgment to city meetings, was well received. So was an observation by Watson that local smoke shops sell disposable, battery-powered vape pens whose sale should be banned.

The next night, the council's regular meeting was conducted as a "hybrid" meeting, both online and with restored public participation at City Hall.

Among the items Watson wanted clarity on was the council's proposed rejection of the "Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act." The ballot measure is opposed by the League of California Cities on grounds that, according to a staff report, it "creates harmful barriers for local governments and voters who should have a voice. Essentially the measure would establish new and stricter rules for raising taxes and fees, limit the authority of voters, and weaken the ability of government to hold violators of state and local laws accountable." It could also, said the league, cut local government revenue.

Calling in with support for the measure were Kent Sawatsky and Uri Driscoll, both associated with the shadowy Humboldt Taxpayers League, whose board composition and meetings aren't publicized. Their support was based on what they said was increased public control over taxation.

But Atkins-Salazar called out the so-called Taxpaver Protection and Government Accountability Act as being in the grand tradition of deceptively named ballot measures. "Sometimes the way things are labeled aren't reflective of the true spirit of what's in there," she said. The council went on to oppose the measure by a unanimous 4-0 vote.

Sawatsky and Driscoll - neither of them Arcata residents - were to dominate phone-in comments, each calling in multiple times. Sawatsky offered a number of cautions and admonitions about city procedures, suggestions of incompetence on the part of councilmembers and staff, predictions of costly and crippling litigation against the City of Arcata due to its "dysfunction," accusations of withholding information from the public and praise for Watson's inquiries. Sawatsky was to make nine comments on a range of matters, totaling 17 1/2 minutes of the nearly four-hour meeting. Driscoll's three comments consumed more than seven minutes.

According to a staff report, the current LCP includes the Local Coastal Element of the General Plan, adopted in 1989, and the Land Use and Development Guide, "substantively" adopted in 1998. Adoption of a comprehensive update is a council priority projects and goal.

The LCP establishes local land use regulation in the Coastal Zone. Loya explained the mind-numbing intricacies of the LCP, its multiple jurisdictions and technical requirements. He said he has been working on the LCP throughout his career at the City of Arcata.

The LCP will be extensively considered in numerous public for athis year, including the Planning Commission, with hopes that it will be adopted by the Planco and the council about mid-year and approved by the Coastal Commission early next year.

Also, Councilmember Sarah Schaefer was unanimously selected as Arcata's new vice mayor, replacing the resigned Emily Grace Goldstein in that role until December, when new council assignments are decided.

Watson continued his enhanced scrutiny of council business, asking staff for lengthy and detailed explanations of several items. Watson recently disclosed that he suffers from Attention Deficit Disorder, which makes it difficult for him to understand printed material. He complained again that he hadn't been given adequate access to staff to gain full comprehension on things he was to vote on, and at one point accused other councilmembers of being "upset" with him for asking questions. Watson remains the subject of an internal city investigation over an allegation of misconduct, details of which remain undisclosed.

Asked about the alleged lack of staff access, City Attorney Nancy Diamond stated, "Brett continues to have access to City staff in a manner that allows him to fulfill his responsibilities as a City Councilmember. It is consistent with the special protocols adopted by the City Council for the duration of the investigation, which protects potential victims and witnesses from interactions similar to if he were a City staff employee placed on administrative leave. It is also consistent with the City Council Protocol Manual Chapter 7 which, from a practical perspective, ensures that all City Council members have access to the same background information and provides minimal disruption of City staff work schedules.'

Dozer is the go-to dog when pups need a friend

mention in last week's column as being one of Doc's best friends. Doc has been making lots of new friends this week (while still waiting for that forever home) and Dozer deserves the spot-

light for this week.

Dozer might escape your notice on the first pass. He's a big fawn-colored Pit Bull Terrier mix. He's twelve years old and has a few little signs of his age. But spend a few minutes with Dozer and we can guarantee you will fall in

love! Dozer is an easy-going, no-drama kind of dog. He's an easy walk and doesn't care about walking past the other kennels on the way in or out.



Dozer has been our go-to dog when another dog needs a gentle friend to help build their confidence. He has been great with unsocialized pups, ignoring their barking and showing

ur big friend Dozer got a brief them how to properly interact. He can go out with almost any other dog at the shelter as he is so calm. Dozer does have a playful side too! He enjoys a game of fetch or any attention from the volunteers. He loves cuddle

time and being petted and brushed but isn't pushy

Dozer came through the shelter about eight years ago and the comments about him then were very similar, remarking on how he was dignified and affectionate.

We're not sure what happened to his people to land him back in the shelter but we know he'd love to find a nice home for his golden years. Dozer is well-housebroken and would

do fine with another dog in the home. Dozer is neutered, microchipped and current on his vaccinations.

We seem to have quite a few big dogs at the shelter right now. There are the shorter compact versions like Dozer and Frank and the there are several livestock guardian type dogs available as well. There are two males - Riley, a Great Pyrenees mix and Prince, thought to be a Turkish Kangal mix – and a female Anatolian Shepard named Frida. If you know of anyone with some property who might be looking for a big dog, please refer them to the shelter.

They are all under a year and a half and are quite nice dogs! Beautiful Prince is particularly gen-

tle for such a big guy. Our volunteer trainer describes him as "wonderful



company and a nice leash walker. He already knows Sit and is picking up Down quickly. If you meet

Prince you should know he has a spot on his chest he loves to have scratched. He will lean into you and look up at you with his gorgeous amber colored eyes asking for more pets.

Prince is a playful, fun, sweet boy who has the potential to do well in a home with other dogs and cats."

If you would like to meet either of these gentle fellows, or any of the other dogs and cats up for adoption, please call the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at (707) 840-9132 to make an appointment.

Paz Dominguez | Said Bohn was flipping her off

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Rex Bohn. Paz Dominguez said it was "reported" to her that Bohn "pressured departments to perform tasks for him, or his friends."

The alleged tasks include "rushed" payments and processing of invoices, property tax transactions and permit applications.

At one point, Dominguez stopped her presentation to note that Bohn was "giving me the middle finger."

Board Chair Virginia Bass had a different take, saying, "That's just the way

he holds his glasses." Bohn said he's been

steering clear of Paz Dominguez because she's made unfounded accusations against him, at one point resulting in "a \$23,000 investigation with no findings."

"As a duly elected official to another duly elected official," he dared her to advance her accusations against him to the county's District Attorney, who would recuse herself and refer the complaint to the state's Attorney General.

"I would welcome that with open arms, since you just blasted my name all over with no basis whatsoever," Bohn said.

Paz Dominguez also claimed that when she informed the County Administrative Office (CAO) of a miscalculation, she was threatened with ments under the bus." reduction of her office's General Fund contribution.

She also accused the CAO's of submitting a "forged" document to the state and causing last November's payroll failure by launching an "unapproved and untested' software

system update against her objections.

Bass asked Dominguez to provide documentation backing up her claims. Paz Dominguez said she has it and can present it.

County Administrative Officer Elishia Hayes de-"wrung through the mud

like no other" and said county staff is interested in improving things but Paz Dominguez is aloof and unre-

"What I continue to hear time and time and time again from our agency and from our partner agencies and from external vendors is a lack of communication," she said, adding that when the issues have to be aired at supervisors meetings, "We fall into dysfunction and that is where we find ourselves today."

Hayes said that Paz Dominguez "has not met her mandates for years" and instead of taking responsibility, she's "thrown staff and other depart-

Several department heads said Paz Dominguez misrepresented, exaggerated or misunderstands the things she talked about. Some admitted that mistakes have been made but they don't represent systematic malaise.

Supervisors voted to extend the outside auditor's contract. They also voted to have Paz Dominguez present her findings in written format, with documentation on her claims. Those matters will boil again on March 15, when Paz Dominguez makes a follow-up presentation to the board.

Hours later, supervisors wearily finished another strained discussion, scribed her office as being on whether to transfer payroll services from Paz Dominguez's office to the County Administrative Office or an outside firm.

> Reflecting the day's frustrations, Bohn lost patience as talk about arranging a meeting between Paz Dominguez, Hayes and the county's human resources manager dragged on without resolution.

> "This is what needs to be done for the people of this county and I am just tired of this bullshit," said Bohn.

> Paz Dominguez started talking but Bass talked over her and stopped the exchange. "Supervisor Bohn, let's not have that up here," Bass scolded as Bohn leaned back in his chair and said, "I'm just tired of this."

Cell towers | Rural siting cast as empowerment

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easier to site towers in those locations. "With these tiers, it gives an unfair advantage to people who already have communication and makes it more difficult for people that don't," she said.

O'Neill noted that the commission has approved cannabis farm permits in agriculture and timber areas, opening new communication needs. "We also have native communities in areas they've lived in forever and they literally don't have phone service," she added.

"I could tell you heartbreaking stories about the lengths people had to go through when a family member doesn't have communication," she said.

Commissioner Thomas Mulder said he knows of a cell tower site where there's no vehicle turnaround and "petroleum products" are stored. "So I'm actually comfortable with this tiered approach," he continued.

But most commissioners supported reducing the permit review process for carriers aiming to set up service in underserved or unserved areas.

Mike Commissioner Newman said that would "bring down the cost and attract businesses to go out in these areas that have very few cell towers." He added that would also help visitors who go to those areas for hiking and other recreation.

Commissioner Melanie McCavour questioned the proposed permit rule.

"We could add something in terms of social justice and promoting access in areas of need but the real issue here is that the way it's written, we're requiring a Conditional Use Permit in TPZ and AE (Agriculture-Exclusive) which goes directly against what we're trying to get at - to allow greater access in those exact areas," she said.

Asked by McCavour for an explanation on "balancing social justice with this new rule," County Planner Keenan Hilton acknowledged that aside from the Humboldt Bay area, most of Humboldt County is "not well-served."

The county's General Plan calls for service to be broadly available to be county residents.

Hilton said the General Plan also calls for no net loss of ag land, making construction of cell towers "a conditional use type of project."

The TPZ lands have habitat and natural resources concerns. "These are the areas that are more likely to have impacts on the environment," said Hilton, adding that the impacts include site clearing as well as road construction.

Requiring a CUP is "a more difficult process but it's not a closed door," he continued.

Planning Director John Ford recalled that when a carrier proposed a cell tower in the Fieldbrook area, neighbors strongly opposed it.

The carrier side-stepped the permitting challenge by moving the location to a nearby TPZ parcel which, under the current rules, allow cell towers without public hearings.

"There are those social factors that exist because we do have interfaces between developed areas and TPZ land," said Ford.

The issue stymied the commission and Ford proposed continuing the draft ordinance's review to allow planning staff to address it. He suggested that performance standards can be drafted to minimize environmental effects in communities with service needs.

The commission agreed to continue the review to



Participatory Budgeting: real money, real power for Valley West residents

♥UNA (Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata/Community United of North Arcata) wants to hear from you!

Valley West's Participatory

Budgeting Voting event finally arrived. Come let your voice be heard at the final voting event at the Red Roof Inn Thursday, March 10 from 5 to 8 p.m. We will be voting on how to spend the \$15,000 allocated by the City of Arcata to Valley West for beautification and community connectivity.

Come join us for voting, live DJ music and food! This is a fun for the whole family event and childcare will be provided.

Leveling up

Valley West has traditionally been underserved. The Participatory Budget process makes spending more equitable and directs resources to communities with the greatest needs. The City of Arcata recognizes that Valley West is a disenfranchised community and is making great strides to level the playing field.

If Valley West can increase civic participation it will build a stronger community. This process creates more equitable and effective spending opportunities while also creating a more transparent and responsive government.

Participate in budgeting

CUNA, a project of Cooperation Humboldt, is excited to host this pilot Participatory Budget Process through a grant from Beyond Democracy. Participatory Budget processes take a piece of the city budget and empower residents to decide how to spend this money in their community. Constituents get to weigh in on how public money is spent.

Participatory Budget processes are typically designed to involve those left out of traditional methods of public engagement, such as low-income residents, non-citizens, and youth. The participatory

budgeting process usually results in more equitable public spending, greater government transparency. accountability, and increased levels of public participation.

> The first step in the budgeting process is to brainstorm ideas. Then a steering committee designs proposals from brainstorming these sessions and ideas. This Thursday, March 10, (5 to 8 p.m.) at the Red Roof Inn participants will vote on these proposals. The winning ideas from the voting event are then brought to the city for final approval and project implementation. Afterwards, the steering committee and participants evaluate the process and plan changes for the next

project.

Kimberley

White

Phases

This pilot project of \$15,000 will set the stage for a second Participatory Budget Process for an additional \$30,000 of ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds that have also been allocated to Valley West by the City of Arcata. This community-driven design is a way for Valley West residents to have a voice in what they feel is best for their community and help decide what improvements they want to see.

Origins, implementation

Participatory Budgeting was first developed in the 1980s by the Brazilian Worker's Party drawing on the party's stated belief that electoral success is not an end in itself but a springboard for developing radical, participatory forms of democracy. The Participatory Budgeting process comes out of Latin America, and bringing those roots to our Latinx community and Valley West just makes sense.

Participatory budgeting allows citizens to deliberate with the goal of creating either a concrete financial plan (a budget), or a recommendation to elected representatives. Today, Participatory Budgeting has been implemented institutions around the world.

This Participatory Budgeting process pilot project has been a fun, engaging and exciting process. At last the big day has come for the Valley West community to vote on all the ideas from brainstorming events as well as other community outreach and engagecalls and email. Ideas were also gathered via one-on-one public engagement in Valley West public spaces.

Ideas

surfaced for how the community wants to use the \$15,000 allocated to Valley West for beautification and community connectivity by the City of Arcata:

- Valley West park
- · Planter boxes with flowers by
 - Carlson Park improvement

• Picnic tables and park benches by the basketball court on Hal-

in nearly 1,500 municipalities and

These are some ideas that have

- the basketball court

ment from social media, texts.

- Fruit trees in Valley West
- · Planter boxes with flowers in
- Trees planted on Valley East

len Drive

- Murals • Art and theater workshop
- Community dance classes
- Basketball court mural
- Paint murals on sidewalks Artisan Markets
- · Tianguis (Latinx-style flea
- markets)
 - Youth and children camps • Movie nights at the park
 - · Youth field trips to bowling,
- beach day, Trinidad Marine lab, etc.
- Art workshops
- Spring break camps
- Block parties
- Art sculpture installation
- Hanging flower baskets from Valley West street lamps
- Open mic and Karaoke
- Kiosk message board at park to update community on events

- · Printed and electronic newsletter
- · Arcata Playhouse theater and art workshops
 - Outdoor Theater events
 - Community Garden
 - Skate Park

VALLEY WEST PARTICIPATORY BUDGET VOTING EVENT

Decide how to spend \$15,000 allocated by the City of Arcata

Thursday, March 10, 5 to 8 p.m.

Red Roof Inn, 4975 Valley West Blvd.

Online Voting Option: The voting link will become live on March

10 beginning at 6 p.m. and will stay active over the weekend.

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- Food and live music events
- May Day Celebration
- · Pastels sidewalk days (like Pastels on Plaza)
 - Carnival w/ petting zoo
 - Family friendly events
 - Bike Rodeo

Author Kimberley White, Valley West community advocate, is also program coordinator for CUNA, a project of Cooperation Humboldt working towards building a better represented Valley West community.

Evento de Votación de los Presupuestos Participativos

COMUNIDAD UNIDA DEL NORTE DE ARCATA

VALLEY WEST – CUNA (Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata/Community United of North Arcata) y la Ciudad de Arcata han estado llevando a cabo una serie de juntas y otras actividades de divulgación para determinar cómo los residentes de Valley West quieren utilizar los \$15,000 asignados por la Ciudad de Arcata para el embellecimiento v la conectividad de la comunidad. Se han presentado varias propuestas y la votación tendrá lugar el 10 de marzo.

También celebraremos una sesión de votación en persona en el RedRoof Inn en 4975 Valley West Blvd. de 5 a 8 pm. Las votaciones estarán abiertas todo el tiempo, y es bienvenid@ a pasar por allí o quedarse para disfrutar de la música, la comida y las actividades infantiles - toda la familia es bienvenida. Si no puede asistir, no se preocupe: también hay una opción de votación en línea.

Estamos reuniendo las ideas de la comunidad de Valley West en propuestas más concretas con costes estimados. Estas propuestas serán las que votaremos. Puede leer más en la página web de CUNA sobre las diferentes propuestas a medida que estén

listas, y encontrará el enlace para votar en la misma página. Este enlace se activará el 10 de marzo v permanecerá activo durante el fin de semana. Esta es la dirección de la página web de CUNA: cooperationhumboldt.com/cuna/ Utilizaremos la votación por orden de preferen-

cia. Esto significa que usted clasificará las opciones de mayor a menor preferencia y nosotros contaremos los votos para ver qué proyecto(s) implementará la ciudad. Empezaremos por la opción más votada por la

comunidad y seguiremos bajando en la lista hasta que se agoten los fondos. Esta clasificación se presentará al Ayuntamiento de Arcata para que tome la decisión final.

Cualquier persona de Valley West es bienvenida a votar y a hacer oír su voz. Cualquier otra persona que quiera simplemente observar el proceso es bienvenida.

Para más información llame a Morgan March (707) 702-3725, Kimberley White (707) 633-3867, o para hablar en español a Laura Muñoz (707) 267-5897, o mande un correo electrónico a cuna@cooperationhumboldt.com

Arcata Main Street's ball, preview, OysterFest | TOT tax | An extra \$880K

ARCATA MAIN STREET ARCATA – Arcata Main Street has announced the following upcoming events:

• Friday, March 25 from 6 to 9 p.m. is the Downtown Arcata Ball and Annual Membership Meeting for Arcata Main Street. Join us for a festive evening at

the Arcata Theatre Lounge with music by California Poppies, DJ music by Tanasa Daniel, a chance to honor and thank past AMS board members and more officially welcome our new-since-2021 board members, introduce our Cal Poly Interns, celebrate you... the creative, resilient, amazing businesses of Downtown Arcata, we also have a Silent Auction.

Get info, ticket and a link to



WELCOME! Spring Preview merriment.

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donate to the silent auction here: arcatamainstreet.com/annual-membership-meeting.

 Spring Preview: April 8 and April 15

These two weekends, potential students for Cal Poly Humboldt will once again be in Arcata in person checking out our town. So exciting! We are delighted that April 8 is Arts! Arcata which will be lively, and we will have some evening fun on April 15 too

The university activities are done at 5 p.m. and they will encourage people to head downtown.

• Oyster Festival 2022 We are over the moon to have Matthew Cook (familiar face at North Country Fair for so many years!) joining our team as festival coordinator.

Our team and board has been working hard on figuring out this event for 2022 (not an easy task to bring back big events to our community... we assure you!) and is excited to now be welcoming chefs and restaurants to enter the Best Oyster Contest, for sponsorships, volunteers, food vendors, art vendors, and more!

arcatamainstreet.com/oyster-festival

And 62 percent of those polled say climate change is either an extremely or very serious concern.

The continued expansion of short term vacation rentals is said to affect housing availability. The rentals are taxed but only if their

owners step up volunteer to pay. Supervisor Mike Wilson has repeatedly said that short term rentals displace housing and he supports drafting an ordinance that would make the tax manda-

tory "as soon as possible." He said doing so "does have a nexus" to the effort to increase

and expand the TOT. Supervisor Steve Madrone has doubts about including campgrounds in TOT collection, saving they offer homeless people a shelter option. He noted the poll results on homelessness and lack of housing, and said applying TOT to campgrounds "really works against the things that we saw there – a lot of people are barely getting off the streets and into housing through campgrounds."

But Quincey said that public

campgrounds will still be a viable option for people and won't be included in the new ordinance.

Supervisors voted to introduce the TOT increase ordinance, which returns for final approval this week. Voters will decide on approval of the TOT changes in

this June's election. According to a written staff report, the increase will add \$880,000 to the county's General Fund and bring total TOT rev-

enue to about \$3 million. Eighteen percent of TOT revenue supports the Humboldt County Convention and Visitors Bureau, and chamber of commerce groups in Garberville, Orick, Willow Creek and Arcata. Five percent is for county film and digital media promotion.

Quincey said other TOT spend-

ing is far from being decided. "Arts and culture groups in particular have talked about how COVID-19 has impacted them, and their effect on tourism in the county, and there has been lots of demand for funding those groups

as well," he continued.

Bayside | Coastal permit in works

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He said it would take at least two months for the coastal development permit to be ready for commission review.

During a public comment period, Bayside resident Sue Moore noted that she had asked for more county review three months ago and said the project's impacts extend beyond the city's boundary.

"Its implications for the Bayside community are being downplayed by the language that's being used," she continued.

Area homeowner Craig Johnson agreed and said the round-

about shouldn't be approved. A high profile issue is the roundabout's proximity to the Mistwood Educational Center private school. And the commis-

sion will likely field personal testimony from schoolchildren when it reviews the coastal permit.

Alice Finen, Mistwood's co-director, described the roundabout as a "gross injustice" that's been "pushed through by the city."

She said the school's students have "spent hours learning about the proposed plan" and have even "walked the footprint of the plan with the City of Arcata's en-

gineers." Commissioners had questions but Ford warned against getting too deep into design dynamics, as the matter hadn't been agendized as a project review.

He said his department will aim to bring the coastal permit review before the commission at its first meeting in May.

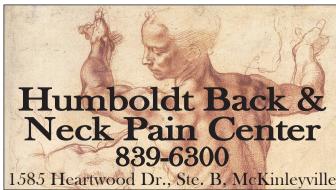
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Read Across Mack Town visits Orick students

Wednesday March 2, McKinleyville High School sent a group of around 60 students that went to six different schools for the 19th Annual Read Across Mack Town.

The ATW Theater Troupe created five performances at four schools for grade levels of preschool to fifth

grade.



In my group there were seven of us that went to Orick. We read to the school which has about 19 kids.

I was in the panther suit for the duration of the visit and throughout the whole visit most of the kids clung to the panther and had genuine curiosities

about what panthers eat and how a panther can be in Orick. The kids read us books and we read

the kids books and everyone had fun! They also showed us some of their fa-



ORICK READERS Mack High Panthers share literacy.

vorite books and showed us their favorite parts of the classroom.

The kids liked to be read to and have a chance to see the older kids as role models.

When we left at the end of their

recess a couple of them even started crying and asked if we could come back tomorrow.

The impact that Read Across Mack Town has on the younger students is huge!



HUMAN RIGHTS SURVEY Humboldt County is a diverse rural community with a long history and many unique ways of living. The Humboldt County Human Rights Commission (HCHRC) asks residents to participate in an anonymous survey designed to assess the awareness and understanding of human rights in the county. The survey will be available online until March 15, 2022. Access the survey at humboldtgov.org. This study is being conducted by the HCHRC led by Ellen Murphy, a student with the Social Work Department at Cal Poly Humboldt. The survey takes about 10 minutes to complete. Participation is voluntary. Survey results will provide the HCHRC with data needed to make policy recommendations to the Humboldt Board of Supervisors about inclusivity, equity and diversity. This report and presentation will be ready in May of 2022. In addition, an executive summary of the report will be made available on the HCHRC website for all to access. Contact Ellen Murphy at elm98@humboldt.edu.

FOR THE LOVE OF LIBBY Ink People Center for the Arts announces a street festival to celebrate the arts, culture and Executive Director Emeritus Libby Maynard's incredible career as an artist, community organizer, arts administrator, and friend of the arts. The Ink People Street Party and Celebration of Libby Maynard takes place Saturday, March 12 from noon to 5 p.m., at Synapsis, 1675 Union St., Eureka. The event will feature food truck refreshments, arts and culture booths, and live music and performance from groups including Bandemonium, Steel Pan Drums, Synapsis Eureka Drum Brigade, Aerial Dance, Deejay Julee Unrulee, and Middle Eastern dance with Shoshanna & Friends. At 3 p.m., Libby Maynard will be presented with an acknowledgement of her contribution to the arts in Humboldt County. This street party is free and open to the public. Visit our website at inkpeople.org, email inkers@inkpeople.org or call (707) 442-8413 for more



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Man taken into custody on numerous charges after short foot chase

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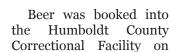
HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ESSEX – On Sunday,

Feb. 27 at about 3 p.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies served an arrest warrant on a man wanted by the Arcata Police Department in connection to an attempted homiinvestigacide tion.

The suspect, 27-year-old Jesse Allen Beer, was believed to be camping in the Essex area. Deputies located Beer at a campsite near North Bank Road.

Upon seeing deputies, Beer fled. After a brief

foot pursuit, Beer was taken into custody with the assistance of HCSO K9 Yahtzee.



charges of attempted murder, assault likely to produce great bodily injury, use of a deadly weapon – special allegation, causing great bodily injury in com-

mission of a felony, conspiracy to commit a crime, possession of a stolen vehicle, possession burglary tools, possession of a controlled substance, resisting a peace officer, first degree burvandalglary,

ism, grand theft, possession of burglary tools and possession of a controlled substance paraphernalia.





FATEFUL ENCOUNTER Left, Arcata Police Sgt. Heidi Groszman. Middle, Delano Bayze Malang. Right, University Police Dept. Sgt. John Packer, now retired. Union file PHOTOS; MIDDLE PHOTO VIA OREGONCRIMENEWS.COM



Malang convicted for injuring APD officer

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HUMBOLDT - On March 2, 2022, a Humboldt County jury found Dela-

no Blayze Malang, 22, guilty of mayhem, assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury, including personally causing great bodily injury, resisting a peace officer with force or violence, and delaying or obstructing a police officer.

The case arose from an incident on the Arcata Plaza on Aug. 1, 2021, when officers responded to a call concerning two people who had been involved in a fight. Arcata Police Department (APD) Officers Jamal Jones and Joseph Rodes arrived and contacted one person involved in the fight. That person cooperated with the officers; he received a warning about fighting and was ordered to leave.

Testimony at trial revealed that as Officer Jones communicated with the first participant in the fight, he saw Malang approach. Officer Jones knew from previous contacts the history of physical altercations between Malang and the other person. Officer Jones repeatedly asked and ordered Malang to leave the area to avoid antagonizing the other person.

After Malang walked away, officers observed his erratic behavior and verbal conflicts with other people on the Plaza. Malang appeared to be under the influence of methamphetamine. Several citizens complained to officers about Malang's aggressive behavior, his methamphetamine use on the Plaza, littering, and cursing in front of children. People also reported

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to the officers that Malang had a ferret that he was allowing to run up into the trees on the Plaza and eat birds'

Officers Jones and Rodes then attempted to contact Malang, who repeatedly ignored orders from the officers to stop. Jones and Rodes attempted to detain Malang inside Café Brio and he began to physically resist.

As Jones, Rodes, and APD Sgt. Groszmann tried to get Malang inside a police car, Malang violently resisted and tried to bang his own head into the police car.

Sgt. Groszmann testified that at that point she ordered officers to let Malang sit outside the police car while the three of them tried to calm him down.

Sgt. Groszmann then requested and received the assistance of retired HSU Police Department Sgt. John Packer, who is widely known for his skills in de-escalation. The jury heard from Sgt. Packer that his attempts to communicate with Malang were unsuccessful and that he believed words would not work.

Officers pleaded with Malang to voluntarily get inside of the patrol vehicle, and he continued to refuse. Officers attempted de-escalation for approximately 20 minutes.

Sgt. Groszmann decided to bring a police van to Malang, because the wider opening of the van could facilitate getting Malang safely inside. While getting Malang into the van, Sgt. Groszmann testified that she attempted to hold Malang's head in place so that

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he would not hurt himself.

At this time, Malang lunged toward Sgt. Groszmann and bit some of her thumb off and spit it out.

Officers' body-worn cameras captured the entire incident, so jurors directly observed the extreme professionalism and leadership Sgt. Groszmann demonstrated before and after suffering a major injury: jurors saw how caring and respectful she was to Malang, even after having her thumb bitten off.

Instead of going to the emergency room immediately, she continued to command the scene, ensure that Malang did not injure himself, and ensure that other officers on scene remained safe.

Dr. David Blake, an expert in police use of force, testified during the trial and opined that all officers were lawfully performing their duties during their contact with Malang and handled the situation with the least amount of force necessary.

The District Attorney's Office thanks the officers of the Arcata Police Department for demonstrating professional and compassionate policing, and the jury for the time and attention they gave the case.

Deputy District Attorney Trent Timm prosecuted the case with assistance from District Attorney Investigator Marvin Kirkpatrick. Deputy Conflict Counsel R.J. Leohner represented Malang; Judge Elvine-Kreis presided over the two-week trial. Sentencing is scheduled for March 30, 2022.

Grant to provide Behavioral Health team to assist Sheriff with mental health calls

Yahtzee

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

HUMBOLDT – The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office and the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) are joining forces to increase availability to mental health assistance for people experiencing a need.

Thanks to a grant from the California Department of Health Care Services, DHHS's Behavioral Health Branch will be funded to hire six new staff, including two clinicians, two case managers and two peer coaches, to respond to calls with Sheriff's deputies.

Behavioral Health Seand implementation meetings with her staff and the Sheriff's Office are scheduled to start next week, following confirmation of the nearly \$430,000 Behavioral Health Justice Intervention Services Project

She said the six new hires will be broken into two teams that will work four 10-hour shifts each week.

"This will be seven days a week, and we'll be embedded in the Sheriff's Office and available to respond to any mental health-related calls for service," Johnson said.

Behavioral Health staff has for years worked closely with Arcata and Eureka police departments through the Mobile Intervention and Services Teams.

Known as MIST, the teams work specifically with people who are homeless and need help stabilizing their mental health and securing services and assistance to we hugely value."

avoid further problems.

The program with the Sheriff's Office differs in that its focus is on anyone who is experiencing a mental health crisis.

"The idea is the peer coach and case manager can do some follow up and linking to services if needed, whereas the clinician will do more crisis intervention," Johnson said. "The Behavioral Health team will be available to accompany any law enforcement officer who is working in the Sheriff's Office.'

Undersheriff Justin Braud said the collaboration is a win-win. "Keepnior Program Manager ing the peace and protect-Kelly Johnson said plan- ing the public are the top priorities for the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office," he said. "Having trained staff from DHHS to help us when dealing with people in crisis will exponentially increase our chances of resolving these incidents safely and connecting people with the services they need. I see no downside to this collaboration and believe it will help us serve our community more effectively."

Behavioral Health Director Emi Botzler-Rodgers agreed, saying the grant and collaboration between the two departments provides a "tremendous opportunity" for the community.

"This grant will help opportunities increase to stabilize individuals in mental health crisis in the community instead of putting them on a hold and bringing them to the hospital or to jail," she said. "It is the kind of work that our community needs more of and a partnership

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A lane-losing road diet could civilize McKinleyville's Central Avenue

The idea of a "town center" means different things to different people in McKinleyville. But surveys and other public input over the years have made it clear that one of the defining features for most people is a place where it is comfortable, safe and inviting to walk and bike. One big obstacle to implementing this

vision is that the town center area is currently split in two by a big fivelane road that is neither safe nor comfortable to navigate without a car. I'm talking of course about Central Avenue.

A slimming solution In response to this problem, Humboldt County Public Works staff recently suggested

reducing the number of lanes on Central Avenue in the Town Center area from two lanes in each direction to only one in each direction. Traffic engineers call this kind of lane reduction a "road diet."

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Colin Fiske

Road diets have been successfully used for decades to improve safety on urban and suburban streets like Central Avenue. In fact, the Federal Highway Administration recommends road diets as a top pedestrian safety measure. In study after study, reducing the number of lanes on a busy street has been proven to increase safety for people walking and biking.

The success of road diets can be measured in more than just safety. In almost every case that's been studied, residents and business owners report being overwhelmingly happy with the results of road diets. After all, a slower, narrower road where you

can cross the street without risking your life is a much nicer place to live, to shop, to dine... exactly what's needed for a successful town center!

No jams

But wait, I hear many readers saying: If we reduce the number of lanes on Central Avenue, where will all the cars go? Surely there

will be huge traffic jams, or drivers will divert and clog up nearby streets. Actually, the evidence says not. In almost every road diet ever implemented, even on streets with much heavier traffic than Central Avenue, vehicle delays have either failed to materialize or been extremely minimal — think a few seconds per mile of road

diet. There is almost never significant traffic diversion onto nearby streets either.

How is this possible? Traffic engineers struggle to explain it, and their models often fail to predict it. But we know it happens, and we know it has to do with changing travel behaviors. When a road narrows, for example, people might predict heavier traffic and therefore combine trips so that they drive less — keeping extra traffic from actually materializing. Or they might walk and bike more instead of driving once the road design makes those modes of travel more appealing.

There's also another source of reassurance for those still worried about traffic delays. Traffic volume estimates derived from anonymized cell phone data show that some parts of Central Avenue that already have only two

lanes — like the Bella Vista area currently carry as much traffic or more than the five-lane portion in the town center area. And these areas don't suffer from any significant delays or traffic diversions.

For all of these reasons, the Coalition for Responsible Transportation Priorities (CRTP) and many community members support a road diet on Central Avenue. It will improve safety and comfort for people walking and biking, support local businesses, and create a welcoming town center environment. And there are almost no downsides.

Two ideas, one clear choice

Great! But how exactly should we do it?

There are currently two ideas for a road diet on Central Avenue. Both involve removing one lane of traffic in each direction. But one leaves the central turn lane, resulting in a three-lane road, and one replaces the turn lane with a landscaped median, resulting in a two-lane road. Either proposal would represent a vast improvement over the current design, but CRTP thinks the two-lane version is better. Here's why:

1. Narrowing the pedestrian crossing distance — and therefore exposure to vehicles — is one of the main reasons that road diets are such an effective pedestrian safety measure. Two lanes with a refuge median in the middle means people have to cross only one lane at a time, instead of three, increasing safety and comfort even more.

2. Another reason that road diets are so successful at improving safety is that visually narrowing a roadway is very effective at slowing down drivers. With the cenwith Median without Median 4 4 1 |||||||||| _ nini_m **n**ioioioioi 11510

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tral turn lane, the perceived road width from a driver's perspective is three lanes. Replace that lane with a median, and the perceived width is only one lane. This is especially true with a landscaped median, because vegetation narrows the field of view and is another proven traffic calming measure.

3. Turning vehicles create conflict points and decrease bike and pedestrian safety. A central turn lane allows almost infinite turning movements, while a median TRAFFIC CALMING These two alternatives are proposed for Central Avenue in the McKinleyville Town Center. The roadway now has a total of five lanes, two northbound, two southbound and one middle turn lane. Under this proposal, the road would be reduced to one lane in each direction. The goal is to slow traffic and make it safer for pedestrians. The reduced lanes might be constructed in front of the McKinleyville Shopping Center, although it could be extended further north or south.

VIA HUMBOLDT COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS reduces turning opportunities. That will make it slightly less convenient to access some businesses by car, but that impact is more than outweighed by the improved safety and increased convenience of access by foot and bike.

So we hope to see a Central Avenue with one lane in each direction and a beautiful landscaped median in the middle. What are we waiting for? Let's put Central Avenue on a diet!

Road dieting redefined

A note to readers who like to do their own research: If you enter the term "road diet" into your favorite search engine, you'll find that many people define it very specifically to mean the reduction of a four-lane road (two in each direction) to a three-lane road (one in each direction plus a central two-way turn lane). However, Central Avenue is a five-lane road, and there are various possibilities for its final configuration, so I use the term "road diet" here in the general sense meaning any reduction in the number of lanes.

What we want to do, should do and have to do aren't always the same

Paz Dominguez doing the job

Anyone who thinks that Auditor-Controller Karen Paz Dominguez is solely responsible for the county's financial mess should read the 2019 Civil Grand Jury (CGJ) report. One finding is that there is a "high risk of fraud in a number of county departments due to their poor cash handling policies and procedures, improper accounting, and lack of accountability." The report also noted that the A-C office was severely understaffed (still is, I might add).

It is telling that the BoS's response to the CGJ report was to debate the severity of the risk in an attempt to downplay it rather than address the problem early on. Now that the county is being investigated by the State Controller's Office, the predictable response by county officials is to skapegoat Ms. Paz Dominguez while expressing shock that, once again, she is pointing out the problems that have been apparent since at least 2019, if not earlier.

What is most disturbing their "circling of the wagons" response, as supervisors and department heads blasted Ms. Paz Dominguez, saying they felt "blindsided" by her allegations of mismanagement. Supervisor Bass appeared scandalized as she spoke about this "airing dirty laundry" – as if there hadn't been two prior CGJ reports pointing out this mismanagement already (both on the part of the county and the Planco).

Treasurer-Tax Collector John Bartholomew accused the A-C Paz of the "poisoning of public perception of county operations and staff." I'm sorry but that's like attempting to close the gate after the horse has already bolted (several years ago), following the release of two CGJ reports into the county's mismanagement of funds. In other words, that "poisoning of public perception" is already out there, and it's not Ms. Paz Dominguez's fault.

I'd just like to remind county officials that their first duty is to be transparent and accountable to the public because this is taxpayer money.

So the omerta on whistle-blowers like our A-C speaking out is entirely inappropriate. She is backed up by two CGJ reports, and was elected by the public to look out for our interests. And if that means speaking out about mismanagement of funds, she's doing the job we elected her to do.

The question is, what are our "leaders' going to do about this other than attempt to sweep it under the rug, as they have been doing, while pointing the finger at Ms. Paz Dominguez? This is a system-wide problem, which won't get solved by scapegoating one individual.

I would expect our public servants to pay attention to the CGJ reports and make every effort to implement their recommendations, wouldn't you? Instead, they have kicked the can down the road on so many

issues: climate change, drought, the county's finances, etc. Then sought to blame others for their deficiencies.

Humboldt County residents and taxpayers deserve better.

I applaud Ms. Paz Dominguez for her courage in speaking out, and should she decide to run, I would vote for her again in a heartbeat.

> Sincerely, Lisa Pelletier

A lot to like about the **Gateway Area Plan**

I would like to express my appreciation to the Arcata City Planning Department for the extensive, ongoing outreach and solicitation of feedback on the Gateway Plan. I also appreciate all the passionate input, pro and con, from Arcata residents. We care about our city and are participating in our democracy.

This is what I like in the Gateway Plan.

1. Sustainability. The climate crisis is the defining issue of our time. The Gateway Plan addresses that emergency with infill, higher density housing, plans for de-emphasizing car travel and supporting bike/ pedestrian/bus travel. Gateway residents will have easy non-car travel access to the rest of Arcata. There are incentives in the plan to reduce fossil fuel use in housing and encourage electrification. These incentives should be as strong as possible.

2. Equity in Housing: Our population is going to increase, whether we like it or not, with Cal Poly students, climate refugees, tele-workers. We are better off planning what we want that development to look like. Currently, high income buyers are driving up the price of home ownership and rentals, pricing out many locals. We need rentals and home ownership options for all levels of income. The Gateway aims to provide economically integrated housing.

I understand the concern about taller apartment buildings but I personally would rather see (in specified areas as proposed) a few taller buildings around a large, green plaza-like space than 100 houses with no public green space. My understanding is that this configuration would be limited to areas like the Barrel District along Samoa Boulevard.

3. City Vibrancy: I think the proposed transition of K St from its current state of light industry and empty lots to commercial, retail and residential could be wonderful and add to the small town urban vibe we love about the Plaza. (To clarify, no current businesses would be required to move.)

If the Gateway is done well with reputable developers, I think it could be a positive addition to our city.

> **Cathy Chandler-Klein Arcata**

***** LETTERS

Trinidad Chamber needs new members

This letter is notice that the Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce will dissolve this spring, unless six new board members step forward to volunteer no later than April 1.

For the past 12 months, the chamber has been seeking new board members with limited success. Three of the four existing board members have served for three or more years and will step down for a well-deserved rest.

As a result, the board is actively recruiting for the following positions.

1. President: Duties include spearheading monthly meetings and keeping those meetings on track. Working with the coordinator for meeting agendas. Other duties include participating in planning, coordinating and volunteering events.

2. Vice President: Assist the President with any overlapping duties. Preside over meetings if the President is unable to at-

3. Coordinator/Director: Spearheading events that are voted on by the board majority and possibly playing the role of director; oversee simple marketing, promotions and social media platforms.

4. Treasurer/Secretary: Ensure all bills get paid on a timely manner; sending out annual membership dues/notices; depositing money from event proceeds, etc. Preparing simple reports of expenses and proceeds related to events or the Chamber's budget conditions

5. Board member general: assist Coordinator with any duties needed.

6. Board member general: assist any other positions where needed.

Recruits must agree to actively attend board meetings once a month and participate in the simple tasks outlined above. Board meetings are typically at the Trinidad Town Hall on the third Tuesday of every month but are sometimes flexible depending on board member's schedules. All board members also volunteer to participate in events.

New recruits will be trained and briefed on the simple duties each position requires. Existing board members can stay on to assist in the transition.

The chamber board is enjoyable and fulfilling. The needs and tasks are not difficult, especially when duties are spread out to multiple board members. The chamber oversees the following popular and exciting events (but not limited to):

Trinidad to Clam Beach Run

• Members Mixers (1-3 a year)

- Holiday Gala Dinner and Dance
- Crab Feeds
- Tastin' Trinidad

Again, the deadline for volunteering is April 1. If at least six new board members are not pledged to fill the above board positions, the existing board will proceed with dissolution.

There will be a board meeting at Trinidad Town Hall 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5 to evaluate dissolution or continuing operation. New board pledges should attend this meeting but commit before April 1.

To pledge and volunteer for the Trinidad Chamber board, please call or text John Lee at (316) 648-9600. Thanks for your consideration!

Regards, John Lee

Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce

Blood drive thanks

Humboldt Sponsors held its Third Annual Blood Drive on Wednesday, Feb. 23, at the Northern California Community Blood Bank. We had a record 55 donors give the gift of life, which will help approximately 165 patients in need of blood.

We want to publicly thank all the donors for participating and helping to make our blood drive an enormous success. We wish to express our appreciation to Dee Vallee, Donor Recruiter, and the entire staff at NC-CBB, for their warm welcome and profes-

We would also like to thank the following local media who advertised our blood drive: Eureka Broadcasting, Bicoastal Media, Mad River Union, Mad River Radio, Redwood News Television Stations, North Coast News, Lost Coast Outpost, North Coast Journal, Redheaded Blackbelt and the Times-Standard. We are also grateful to the Eureka Chamber of Commerce and the local Division of Retired Teachers for promoting our blood drive on their social media.

Humboldt Sponsors is a local nonprofit, charitable organization that provides annual grants to programs serving the youth of our local communities.

If you'd like more information about our organization or how to become a member, please visit our website at humboldtsponsors.org, find us on Facebook and Instagram, or email us at humboldtsponsors@ gmail.com.

Walk-in donors are always welcome at our local Blood Bank, located at 2524 Harrison Ave. in Eureka.

Call them at (707) 443-8004 if you have questions about donating or to schedule an appointment.

Lynn McKenna, blood drive coordinator, **Humboldt Sponsors**

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Trinidad Rancheria lauds court decision upholding tribal rights

CHER-AE HEIGHTS INDIAN COMMUNITY OF THE TRINIDAD RANCHERIA

TRINIDAD - Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria Chairman Garth Sundberg of the Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria made the following statement regarding Jason Self, et al. v. Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria:

The U.S. Supreme Court has declined to hear a case brought against our Tribe, letting stand lower court decisions from both the California Court of Appeal and the **Humboldt County Superior Court dismiss**ing the lawsuit.

On behalf of the entire Tribal Council, I am pleased to share that the Supreme

Court's decision closes the book on a case this case is rooted in longstanding U.S. brought against our Tribe to inter-

fere with our efforts to restore a significant part of our Tribal ancestral homeland on Trinidad Harbor and to revitalize a fundamental aspect of our culture.

We have been forced to fight for our fundamental rights for more than two years, but our Tribe has never wavered from our commitment to our lands and our people.

The Court of Appeal's decision in

Supreme Court precedent, and strongly affirms tribal sovereignty and expressly recog-

> nizes the importance of federal law authorizing tribes to acquire land for sovereign purposes beyond the border of a reservation.

Specifically, Court of Appeal noted that "...tribal land acquisition generally advances Congress's goals of tribal self-sufficiency and economic development."

The plaintiffs' purported concerns

about public access are unfounded and are not shared by the California Coastal Commission, which also examined the issue closely.

Shortly after acquiring the property over 20 years ago, the Tribe granted the City of Trinidad an easement to protect the public's access to the Trinidad Harbor Pier.

The Tribal Council and I have repeatedly supported the expenditure of millions of dollars to protect Trinidad Harbor, rebuild the Pier and make extensive renovations, including constructing new bathrooms and other public facilities.

We invite the public to enjoy the stateof-the-art pier and public accommodations we constructed to replace the prior deteriorated facilities.

ner awaiting me, a golden haired

daughter to hold on my lap along

with my returned-to-her-original-

shape wife. OK, I wasn't going to

make a killing on the house but I

wards the end of the project. She

had bought the lot on the corner,

she said, and wanted me to build

her and her husband a house

just like this one. Her name was

Nita Growth, her husband Bruno

Growth. I would learn that they

were both artists. Using the basic

An older woman came by to-

had it pretty good.

Learning from the past in the Stewart School Subdivision

¶hat was me, a young carpenter just turned contractor (via mail-order course) sitting in the elegant redwood paneled City Council Chamber on an upholstered chair among a handful of applicants nervously awaiting our turn before the Design Review Committee. The year was 1987 and the Arcata City Hall was still relatively new on the corner of Seventh and F streets, having relocated there in 1967 from a run-down, now demolished turn of the century building on the Ninth and G corner of the Plaza.

The committee of five volunteer members from the community sat facing the public on a raised clear-fir-lined platform, each one occupying a big, comfortable leather high-back chair, ruffling through paperwork lying on a long table in front of them, turning the pages of blueprints to examine the worthiness of a given project.

My project was a two-story residence

Daniel Duncan

to be built at 1150 15th Street in the Stewart School Subdivision, a brand new development right behind the historic Stewart Grammar School and one block from Arcata High. One house was underway in the subdivision by Rob Johnson, a man about my age, the chief and best carpenter of a local construction company, who decided to go out on his own. This would be his first house. My house, if approved, would be number two of the 15 single-family homes-to-be, most of them on 15th Street, a few on J Street and two on 14th Street, with a big park in the middle that 15th street dead-ended into.

My investor partner Larry Fine purchased our lot for \$21,500, the cheapest one in the subdivision. The others went for about \$25,000. Man, those were the days alright. But you still had to get a construction loan and money was tight, particularly for a spec house, and interest rates were high. To make good you had to build fast, sell fast, and the profit margins were slim and could disappear with one serious mistake or bad decision. I don't suppose it's much different today for a small contractor.

My turn came and I stood to take questions from the committee. The low murmuring and approving nods indicated that the elevations they were looking at on the blueprints pleased them. There were some suggestions about paint colors, the landscape plan, that sort of thing. The Design Review criteria for appropriate house design, or I should say criterion, for there was only one, was this: the houses in the Stewart School Subdivision had to "fit the traditional Arcata architectural milieu" or something like that.

There were no specifics. Not a single one. Every house had to win approval on its own merits individually. The only serious challenge to my offering in the above category came from the one general building contractor on the committee — I forget his name. He wanted to know how the porch roof worked because he couldn't tell from the drawing.

I panicked, putting on my best poker face, an easy task for me since it's my default look - I've been told. For one thing, I had drawn the plans myself, my first house plan, and I barely knew what I was doing. Any challenge from a pro in the field to the structure, design, materials shook

me to the core of my self-confidence, since I had little experience to back it up. That was problem number one.

number Problem two was I had no idea how I was going to put that porch roof together since I'd never built one like it before. It was going to be a learning process. But I couldn't SAY that. Instead, I said in an even tone to my peer up there on the plat-

form as if I were uttering the most obvious point in the world, "It's exactly like the house down the street from here on the corner of Sixth and G." My contractor peer nodded. The whole committee nodded as well. Someone said, "I move we approve the plans on the condition that the built porch resembles the one on the house on Sixth and G."

And with that I was on my way. Little did anybody know that I not only copied that porch but the whole damn house. I loved that house and still do. During the design stage, when I was drawing up the plans in my apartment across Samoa Boulevard on Third Street, I actually got up from my drafting (kitchen) table one evening and marched up to Sixth and G with my tape measure, stretching it across the front elevation to get an accurate number for the width of its brother to be built up on 15th Street.

By copying a 19th century settlement house, I figured I was going back to the source. I hoped to learn what those old builders could teach me about good form and fine craftsmanship. Those tough, lanky carpenters of yore weren't around anymore to talk to, but I could hear them speaking anyway. For embedded within the fine old houses they left for posterity, like the one on Sixth and G streets, their stories could still be read.

Years later, I saw my house as the backdrop on a Coast Central TV ad for home loans, a fitting image, according to them and me, of a good, solid home for a family starting out. That very thing is exactly what I was doing, too, trying to get ahead and one day build a home for myself. My young family consisted of myself and a very pregnant wife carrying our girl child, Nicole, who, when the baby finally came on the scene, turned her father into a total zealot on the job, a veritable whip-cracking boss and worker beside my one faithful carpenter Roger Durham. Somewhere back in my work history, or maybe it was in my childhood, I picked up the work ethic and I believed in it and that was probably why I didn't make a very good hippie.

Once Roger and I strapped on our aprons at 8 a.m. each morning, we started moving briskly about the job, setting up saw horses, stacking two by thises and two by thats, hauling sheets of plywood around and filling our aprons with 16p sinkers to hammer together those suckers, I mean the walls. (Go ahead and smile ye battery-gun toting carpenters of today who have dispensed with the extension cord and loud generator to power the nail guns — the likes of which we didn't have even then.)

Roger and I had hammers. Long-handled bright headed 22 oz beauties that we carried around at our sides like gun-slingers. The bullets were the sinkers mentioned above and like a western movie, we never ran out of ammunition. I tell you, a carpenter, at least in those days, loved his hammer like a primal tool. After enough, for we now had a flat surface to walk on and the next day we could start framing the walls. Except that it rained hard the next day and a half, the sun coming out the second half of the second day to dry things out hopefully.

And when we returned at 8 a.m. on the third day, we found that the entire floor had delaminated. There were bubbles and bulges throughout the plywood surface. Oh, the horror! The horror! There dissolved before the first month had gone by every cent of profit my partner and I might make on this project.

What to do? Who's going to pay? Was it my fault somehow for not properly covering up the surface with plastic? The unknown!

I called up Mike at Schmidbauer Lumber and told him he sold me a defective product. He guffawed and procrastinated about the cause and finally agreed to send out gratis a new load of plywood. What about removal of the old and installation of the new? Who's going to pay for that? Sorry, he said, no way could he cover that part.

Roger and I grimly got out our cat's paws and flat bars and peeled

plan, I customized the house for them. For example, the single car garage became Bruno's studio. We encountered a huge problem after Nita told me she wanted black trim, so I had instructed the painter to pre-paint the entire stock of 1-by-6 cedar boards black. When Nita saw the boards laid out in the side yard she was horrified. "Who would want that?" she said. She had meant the window sash to be black, not the window trim. Words matter! The painter was able to turn the trim boards over and repaint them, so we were

saved a disastrous expense. Nita said to me one day after we had discussed a design problem, and she had deferred to my decision. "I can understand why you want to make this house fit your standards. For it is your company that is making it and the houses you make will be here a long time."

She was telling me something I didn't quite appreciate or understand at the time. Something from her long life as a professional. She was telling me that I was a professional, too, when I only thought of myself In those days as a small house builder. My belief was that it was the customer who was paying the bills who mattered, not the builder. She was saying that my stake in the house was as important as hers, in some ways even more so.

I realized over time what she meant. She was talking about Architecture. The thing itself. It was what the city was trying to achieve in the Stewart School Subdivision, to make the cityscape better and to get it done in a way that would fit its history while enabling good, up-to-date housing. I was to be one of the agents of this process. I had to prove that I was up to it. Me and 15 other owner builders and small-scale contractors trying to make a buck in construction.

Check out what we did up there in Stewart School in the 1980s and early '90s. Every single one of the houses is unique (well, except one of them got "replicated" - I stand guilty! — but I was asked and I did distinguish it from its brother two houses up.) Every single house in the subdivision expresses "the traditional Arcata architectural milieu" more or less, given that un-specific directive from City Hall of yesterday.

Daniel Duncan ran Small World Construction in Arcata from 1986 through 2007. Contact him at dduncan362@gmail.com.



THE GROWTH HOUSE In the Stewart School Subdivision.

PHOTO BY DANIEL DUNCAN

all, he fondled the thing practically all day. It gave him enormous power to affix the pieces of a house together so they would stand up true and stay in place for a long time. It was like having another arm or an extra muscle in the arm you already had and you could use it to smash the head of a nail as hard as you could without being destructive in the slightest, but just the opposite.

Those swift, repeated blows produced something significant, made a corner of a room to stand up by itself when you turned and walked away. What better occupation could there be than to take all that pent-up man energy and pour it into a built thing to make somebody's life at a future date take a turn to the better under a good roof in a fine location right in the heart of town?

It wasn't always wonderful. The day we walked away from sheathing the subfloor with three-quarter-inch t&g plywood glued down on the floor joists we were happy up every bit of damaged material, a thankless operation that took up most of the day. Suffered a serious hit did the pure joy of carpentry that day as the unforgiving reality of the construction business settled in. It wasn't until a month later, after a day of roof framing, when I stepped down from the ladder and was taking off my tool belt that the dread of that event seemed to finally be over in my psyche. The relief I felt was palpable.

I was looking up through the orderly maze of rafters we had just framed, a site to a carpenter tantamount to a work of art. It was one of those Humboldt summer evenings when horizontal sunlight blasts under the dark fog cover illuminating the world underneath, our world, like a back-lit theatre. Once again, I felt blessed to be in this profession, working outdoors, making something strong and beautiful, and returning home each evening to my apartment on Third Street feeling tired but good, a fine din-





MARSH ART Lisa Carpenter Landis captures the beauty of the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary.

Marsh-inspired pastels at interpretative center

FRIENDS OF THE ARCATA MARSH

ARCATA MARSH - During March and April, pastel paintings by Lisa Carpenter Landis will be on display at the Arca-

ta Marsh Interpretive Center. Shows featuring local art and photography are sponsored by Friends of the Arcata Marsh.

The Interpretive Center, located at 569 South G St. in Arcata, is open to the public Tuesday through Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Masks currently are required inside the building. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.

The following is a statement from Lisa Carpenter Landis:

A California native, I moved to Humboldt County in 1973. I studied art and art history at Humboldt State University. Before discovering the wonder of pastels, I worked as a successful clothing designer, batik creator, and glass artist for more than 25 years.

I grew up in a family of artists, so I have

always been conscious of design. The need to express myself creatively has manifested itself in many forms all my life, but until I picked up a pastel stick in 2002, I

realized that of all the things I've done, the process of painting with pastels is the most gratifying.

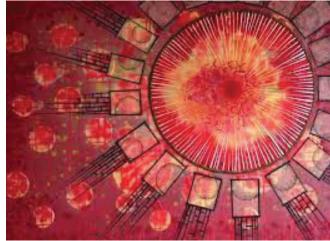
Painting the Arcata Marsh has consistently been an inspiration these last few years. I find that the expansive views are always changing, no matter the time of day or year. Every time I visit the Arcata Marsh, I'm struck by its breathtaking beauty.

Besides the years of study at HSU, I'm primarily self-taught. I have also studied with profession-

al artists Kim Lordier, Glenna Hartman, Bert Collins and Raymond Carpenter, as well as spent four weeks in the Corbieres region of Southern France as "artist in residence" with Zaira Vietes.

I can be contacted at lisaclandis@ gmail.com or (707) 499-0953. My website is lisalandispastels.weebly.com.





ARTS! ARCATA Celebrate the visual and performing arts in Downtown Arcata during Arts! Arcata on Friday, March 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. The artworks of Sierra Martin, right, are on display at Moonrise Herbs. Ceramics, left, by Natalie DiCostanzo are on display at Arcata Artisans.

Wear green & celebrate Arts! Arcata

ARCATA MAIN STREET ARCATA – Celebrate the visual and performing arts in Downtown Arcata during Arts! Arcata on Friday, March 11 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Wear green, chase rainbows, and be lucky at a lively night market of local art vendors, music, and fun in the Plaza center circle. In addition, participants are welcome to visit stores to find Leprechaun Gold to be traded at the Plaza for tickets to win a prize. Thank you for supporting local arts! For more information, visit ArcataMain-Street.com.

Participating venues include:

- Angelica Atelier, 1101 H St. - Featuring a new artist of the month.
- Arcata Artisans, 883 H St. - Featured artists for March are ceramic artist Natalie DiCostanzo and serigrapher John
- · Arcata Playhouse, 1251 9th St. – *I Will Walk*

With My Song Torn Open from 8 to 9 p.m. Part of the 6th Annual Zero to Fierce Women's Festival, this is a whirlwind theatrical exploration inspired by the untamed feminine of the Oresteia. Admission is \$10. Tickets and info at Zeroto-Fierce.org.

- Arcata Gallery, 1063 H St. - Live painting and DJ music until 9:00 p.m. with Cassidy Blaze
- Cafe Brio, 791 G St. – Marisa Kieselhorst, new "Earthly Elements and Meditations" series of ethereal watercolors. Reception from 5 to 7 p.m.
- EXIT Theatre, 890 G St., upstairs - First evening open to the public! Live music with Elias Alexander from 6 to 9 p.m. and refreshments.
- · Fire Arts Center, 520 South G St. - Featuring the ceramic sculpture of April Walton and Lincoln Evert-Ranta for the month of March
- · Hot Knots Boutique, 898 G St. - Paint-

ings by Joyce Jonte

- InfuZions, 863 H St. – Live painting and new work by featured artist Alec Falle Hamilton, an artist working on expressions of geometric nature.
- Moonrise Herbs, 826 G St. - Featuring new artist Sierra Martin and continuing exhibit featuring photography exhibit by Peggy Ho.
- Oak Deli 1101 H St. in the Pythian Castle - Music
- Outer Space Arcata, 837 H St. - Live music and art
- Plaza, 808 G St. -Featuring artists Carol Anderson and Katherine Stotler • The Garden Gate,
- 905 H St. Continuing exhibit featuring Augustus Clark and Allison Curtis • **The Griffin**, 937 10th
- St. Paintings by Joyce Jonté, music, and art
- The Jam, 915 H St. Live country music with Chad Bushnell from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., \$10 cover

For those seeking a career in transportation

Lisa

Carpenter

Landis

CALTRANS DISTRICT 1

HUMBOLDT — The Caltrans District 1 Social Fund and the Caltrans Transportation Foundation are offering a single \$2,250 scholarship to one student seeking a career in transportation.

This scholarship will be awarded on a competitive basis to a high school senior or a first-year or second-year college student. The criteria for winning will be based on the applicant's commitment to a career in transportation, academic record, and participation in extracurricular or community-related activities. Financial need will also be considered when deter-

mining the scholarship recipient.

To qualify for the scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a high school senior or first-year or second-year college student from or residing in Humboldt, Del Norte, Lake, or Mendocino County.
- Must plan to pursue a career in transportation.
- Must attend or be accepted to a post-secondary institute (such as a college, university, or a vocational or technical school) in California.
- Must provide an official transcript to verify Grade Point Average (GPA).

- · Must provide a description of participation in extra-curricular and/or community-related activi-
- · Letters of recommendation will be considered.

Please note that students related to Caltrans employees may apply. Applications must be postmarked by Friday, May 27.

For information about the District 1 Scholarship Program and to download the application, visit dot. ca.gov/caltrans-nearme/district-1/d1-popu*lar-links/d1-scholarship*. For questions about the program, contact Meriah Miracle at Meriah.miracle@dot.ca.gov.

MINI ART GALLERY Do you have a little free library? One way to partake in the 40th annual California Na tive Plant Society Wildflower Show is to convert your existing little free Library to a Little Free Wildflower Art Gallery from April 1 through May 8. Simply remove the books for the month to make room for tiny works of wildflower art to display and exchange. Get inspired at facebook.com/groups/cnpsartshowapril or instagram.com/littlefreewildflowergallery/. Contact us at artshare@northcoastcnps.com to participate. We will send you a colorful sign to identify your Little Free Wildflower Art Gallery, along with instructions. We will identify your gallery location on our tour map. For information about the California Native Plant Society and the 40th Annual Wildflower Show go to northcoastcnps.org



ist Jeremy Hara created this mini gallery last year. VIA FACEBOOK

BUILDING BETTER CARE-

GIVERS The Rural Caregiver Project, out of the University of California San Francisco, is looking for volunteers to take part in a free six-week course called Building Better Caregivers. As the name implies, it is for anyone who cares for patients with Alzheimer's and/or dementia, living in rural communities. The program can be accessed anytime, there are no in-person meetings, and Zoom or video capabilities are not necessary. It can be completed while caring for others. This grant-funded workshop's goal is to deduce how best to support rural caregivers. Participants learn how to reduce their stress, take

better care of themselves, and manage the difficult behaviors of the family member or friend they are caring for. Caregivers also get to talk with and learn from other caregivers. Online registration is ongoing until the end of 2022. Caregivers are asked to complete four study surveys during the span of one year. All caregivers will receive up to \$80 in cash for completing the four study surveys (\$20 per completed survey). Register and learn more at caregiverproject.ucsf.edu/.

WANTED: FUN LOVING **PARTICIPANTS** KEET-TV is partnering with What's on Your Bucket List? host, Barnes-Priestley,

to create Season 2 of this local television series. We are looking for people aged 60 or older who want to check an activity off their bucket list that takes place in Humboldt County. Barnes-Priestley will work with you to make this happen, and KEET-TV will document your adventure. Participating in What's on Your Bucket List? is an excellent opportunity to try something new. Activities in the first season of What's on Your Bucket List? included kayaking, horseback riding, performing in an orchestra, baking, blacksmithing, and more. Humboldt County has endless activities you could explore. Applicants are encouraged to "think outside of the box." You might want to try a private singing lesson, sailing on the bay, mushroom hunting, or bird watching with an expert. What's on your bucket list? You can get more information and fill out the application form at KEET. org/Bucket, and please do not wait to turn in your application. The deadline is Tuesday, March 15.

Arcata offers Elements of Art

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA - The Arcata Recreation Division is excited to announce a five week art class series "Elements of Art" running Monday, March 7 through Wednesday, April 6.

Aspiring artists will join Art Camp Director, Savannah Baird as they create and explore with a variety of art mediums. Classes offer something new each week with weekly and on-going projects.

Classes will take place each Monday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. for youth ages 5 to 8 years and each Wednesday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for youth ages 9 to 14 years. Classes take place at the Arcata Community Center's Teen Room, located at 321 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway in Arca-

The cost for the fiveweek session is \$80 for Arcata residents and \$92 for non-residents. Pre-registration is required by visiting cityofarcata.org/rec or by calling (707) 822-7091.



LEARNING ART A student learns Elements of Art, which runs Mondays and Wednesdays through April 6 at the Arcata Community Center's Teen Room in Arcata. SUBMITTED PHOTO



FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00177

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WIGGLE WAY FARM 2203 OLD ARCATA ROAD BAYSIDE, CA 95524 COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT WIGGLE WAY FARM LLC **CALIFORNIA** 202206110410 2203 OLD ARCATA ROAD BAYSIDE, CA 95524

This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

S /ASHI FY HUNTER ASHLEY HUNTER, SOLE MEMBER/MANAGER OF WIGGLE WAY FARM LLC This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MARCH 3, 2022 KELLY E. SANDERS **KT** DEPUTY CLERK

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00176

3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: A & A LANDSCAPING 1242 DUCHESS ROAD MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519 COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

ALBINO CRUZ OCAMPO 1242 DUCHESS ROAD MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519

JOHNSONSTROM-ANN **BERG** 1242 DUCHESS ROAD

MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519 This business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE S/ALBINO CRUZ OCAMPO

OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk

on MARCH 3. 2022 KELLY E. SANDERS **KT** DEPUTY CLERK 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00123

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CHINA CREEK COTTAG-ES

40526 STATE **HIGHWAY 299** WILLOW CREEK, CA 95573 COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

1066 VINTAGE CT. VACAVILLE, CA 95688 **N&R HOSPITALITY** CORPORATION CA C4816147 1066 VINTAGE CT.

VACAVILLE, CA 95688 This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION S /NOOR AHMED MUREEN PRESIDENT This statement was filed with

the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 9, 2022 KELLY E. SANDERS TN DEPUTY CLERK 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00122

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: COHO COTTAGES 76 WILLOW ROAD WILLOW CREEK, CA 95573

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 1066 VINTAGE CT VACAVILLE, CA 95688 **N&R HOSPITALITY** CORPORATION CA C4816147 1066 VINTAGE CT. VACAVILLE, CA 95688

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION S / NOOR AHMED MUBEEN PRESIDENT This statement was filed with

the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 9, 2022 KELLY E SANDERS TN DEPUTY CLERK 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00083

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: NORTHTOWN BOOKS 957 H STREET **ARCATA, CA 95521** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT DANTE J DIGENOVA 196 CRAWFORD ROAD TRINIDAD, CA 95570 This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL S / DANTE DIGENOVA

OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 28. 2022 KELLY E. SANDERS TN DEPUTY CLERK

3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00136

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROMERO EXCAVATION AND DOZER 4976 AIRSTEAM AVE. **ARCATA, CA 95521** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT JOSÉ L. ROMERO 4976 AIRSTEAM AVE.

ARCATA, CA 95521 This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL S /JOSÉ LUIS ROMERO YANEZ

OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 15, 2022 KELLY E. SANDERS TN DEPUTY CLERK 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

22-00043 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PUPUSERIA SAN MIGUEL 1965 ZEHNDER AVE. **ARCATA. CA 95521** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT **GG FOOD SERVICE LLC** CA 202200510316

1965 ZEHNDER AVE. **ARCATA, CA 95521** This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY **COMPANY** S/GINO GRANADOS

CEO This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN, 11, 2022 KELLY E. SANDERS SC DEPUTY CLERK

2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

JENNIFER DEARDEN SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA** COUNTY OF HUM-**BOLDT** CASE NO. CV2200155

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: LEYA FAYE BANDUCCI to

Proposed name: LEYA

FAYE DEARDEN 2. THE COURT OR-DERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court. located at 825 5th Street. Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show

without a hearing. Date: MARCH 25, 2022 Time: 1:45 p.m.

Dept.: 4 For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit https://www.humboldt.

cause why the petition

should not be granted.

If no written objection

is timely filed, the court

may grant the petition

courts.ca.gov/. 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River

Union. Date: FEB. 4, 2022 Kelly L. Neel Judge of the Superior

2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9

CITATION FOR **PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294**

Case Name: Farrah Peterson-Buskirk Case No. JV2100055

1. To Steven Buskirk and anyone claiming to be a parent of Farrah Peterson-Buskirk born on 9/30/2019 at St. Joseph Hospital, Eureka,

2. A hearing will be held on 5/4/2022 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.

Check the court's website on how to appear at your hearing. There will be information posted on how to appear remotely if the court remains closed. For assistance with appearing virtually, please contact Child Welfare Services' main phone

line at (707) 445-6180. 3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.

5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney

for you. 6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.

7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present. ATTORNEY FOR:

CHILD WELFARE SER-

JEFFERSON BILLINGS LEY, COUNTY COUNSEL #233776

JOAN TURNER DEP-UTY COUNTY COUNSEL #152986

825 FIFTH STREET EUREKA, CA 95501 (707) 445-7236 DATE: FEBRUARY 4. 2022

Clerk, by Kim M. Bartleson, Deputy 2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF

HOYT L. SHORT CASE NO.: PR2200035 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or

both, of: **HOYT L. SHORT** A Petition for Probate has been filed by DEB-ORAH SHORT-LEDES-MA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: DEBORAH SHORT-LEDESMA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and anv codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the au-

thority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as

follows: Date: MARCH 10, 2022 Time: 1:31 PM

Dept.: 6 Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA,

95501. COURT MAY BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE COVID-19 PLEASE PANDEMIC. VISIT https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ONLINE VIDEO HEAR-

ING If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your

appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in

California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. CHRIS JOHNSON HAM-

ER (SBN 105752) STOKES, HAMER, KIRK & EADS LLP 381 BAYSIDE ROAD. SUITE A ARCATA, CA 95521 (707) 822-1771 2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME KATHLEEN M. JENSEN SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUM-BOLDT**

CASE NO. CV2200188 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name: KATH-LEEN M. JENSEN to Proposed name: KATH-**LEEN MARIA JONES**

2. THE COURT OR-

DERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court. located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Date: APRIL 1, 2022 Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 4

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit https://www.humboldt.

courts.ca.gov/. 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.

Date: FEB. 14, 2022 Timothy A. Canning Judge of the Superior

2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF

JOHN Q. OLSON CASE NO.: PR2200044 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or

both, of: JOHN Q. OLSON A Petition for Probate has been filed by RAELEEN OLSON in the Superior Court of California, County

of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate requests that: RAELEEN OLSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept

by the court. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the au-

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as

Date: MARCH 24, 2022 Time: 1:31 PM

Dept.: 6 Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501

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If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined

in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code. or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. WILLIAM G. BERTAIN 1310 SIXTH ST.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF **CHARLOTTE M. PETER-**

EUREKA, CA 95501

(707) 443-5078

3/2, 3/9, 3/16

SON CASE NO.: PR2200050 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or

both, of: **CHARLOTTE M. PETER-**SON

A Petition for Probate has been filed by KAREN TEMPLETON in the Superior Court of California,

County of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate requests that: KAREN TEMPLETON be appointed as personal representative to administer the

estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for

examination in the file kept

by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court

should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as

follows: Date: MARCH 17, 2022 Time: 1:31 PM

Dept.: 6 Address of court: Superior Court of California. County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA,

95501. MAY BF COURT CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. PLEASE VISIT https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ONLINE VIDEO HEAR-

ING If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in

person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code. or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice

form is available from the

court clerk.

WILLIAM G BERTAIN 1310 SIXTH ST. EUREKA, CA 95501 (707) 443-5078 3/2, 3/9, 3/16

PUBLIC NOTICE ARCATA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT **ACCEPTING** APPLICATIONS FOR CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT

COMMITTEE The Arcata Elementary School District is accepting applications from interested individuals to serve on the Citizens' Oversight Committee to oversee expenditures of bond and parcel tax funds. The Committee consists of seven members who meet at least one time per year to review and report on expenditures of funds to ensure money is used only for voter-approved purposes. Maintaining a committee to review expenditures is required by law and was promised to District voters as part of the measures. Some Committee members may live outside District boundaries.

If you wish to serve on this important committee. please complete the application which can be found on the District's website arcataschooldistrict org (Family/Community Forms) or mailed/faxed to you by calling the District Office at (707) 822-0351, ext. 101. Please email your completed application to District Superintendent Luke Biesecker at lbiesecker@arcatasd.org or mail to Arcata Elementary School District. 1435 Buttermilk Lane, Arcata

CA 95521. Applications are due by Friday, March 25, 2022 at the office of the Superin-

tendent. If you have any questions about the Committee. please contact Superintendent Luke Biesecker at (707) 822-0351, ext. 101 or lbiesecker@arcatasd. org for more information.

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER (Número del Caso):

CV2000718 NOTICE TO DEFEN-DANT (AVISO AL DEMAN-DADO): AARON WASE YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DE-MANDANTE): Wells Fargo

Bank, N.A. NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALEN-

DAR DAYS after this sum-

mons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help (www.courtinfo. Center ca.gov/selfhelp), county law library, or the courthouse nearest vou. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without

further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www. lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www. courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dis-

miss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CAL-ENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte

y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos le-

gales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www. lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Avuda de las Cortes de California. (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10.000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

The name and address of the court is (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501-1153

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): REESE LAW GROUP. Jennifer Myers, Esq. (Bar #326289), 3168 Lionshead Avenue, Carlsbad, CA 92010; 760/842-5850 (File No. 563071)

DATE (Fecha): 7/22/20 CINDY C., Clerk (Secretario), by KIM M. BARTLE-SON, Deputy (Adjunto)

(SEAL) 3/9 3/16 3/23 3/30/22 CNS-3561881# MAD RIVER UNION 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

NOTICE OF PUBLIC **HEARING CITY OF ARCATA** PLANNING COMMIS-SION March 22, 2022,

at 6:00 p.m. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Arcata Planning Commission will conduct a Public Hearing on March 22, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. on the proposed Use Permit and Coastal Development Permit at 460 I Street. Ar-

The Planning Commission has returned to in-person hybrid meetings. Consistent with the February 28, 2022, issuance of Governor Newsom's Order No. N-5-22 and the California Department of Public Health's updated Guidance on the Use of Face Masks, the wearing of face masks is not required in City Hall but is strongly recommended. The City Council asks that when attending meetings, persons socially distance as best as they can and be courteous to those who continue to wear a mask. **Project Description:**

isting commercial building, a former restaurant about 750 square feet in size. The 9,367 square foot parcel has street frontage on 4th (Samoa Blvd) and I Streets. Jolly Giant Creek is located along the eastern property line on an adjacent parcel. The project includes minor interior and exterior improvements to create a retail sale, office, secure storage, and delivery areas. Cannabis delivery services and an outdoor

A Use Permit and Coast-

al Development Permit to

operate a cannabis retail

sales business in an ex-

cannabis consumption patio are proposed as part of the on-site retail sales. A proposed mural depicting local natural scenes will partially wrap the building's west and south exterior elevations. **Project Location: 460**

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I Street, Arcata **Parcel** Assessor's Number: 021-184-008 Application Type: Use Permit and Coastal Development Permit

chelle Smither Applicant: James Agent: Juliette Bohn

Property Owner: Mi-

Date of application: September 17, 2021 File Number: 012-DR

Zoning / General Plan: Commercial General (Citywide), Coastal General Commercial (Coast-

Coastal Zone: Project located in the Coastal Zone. Split permit jurisdiction between the City and State - primarily located in the City permit jurisdiction. Coastal Development Permit action is appealable to the California Coastal Commission as a coastal stream (Jolly Giant Creek) is within 100 feet of project

Environmental: Proposed California Environmental Quality Act Class 1, section 15301 Existing Facilities categorical ex-

emption. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the information regarding the proposed project and environmental determination may be reviewed at the Community Development Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 F St, Arcata on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Contact person: Joe Mateer, Senior

Planner, 707-825-2139. NOTICE IS FURTHER **GIVEN** that the Planning Commission will consider public comment, and the entire public record on the project, prior to making any decision. All interested persons are encouraged to participate in the teleconference hearing, which will include a time for public comment. Comments may also be made in advance in writ-

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this action is appealable to the City Council. In compliance with §9.76.030 of the City's Land Use Code, any aggrieved person who, in person, in writing, or by representative. informed the City of their concerns at or before the hearing or decision may appeal a final action by the review authority. Appeals must be filed within 10 business days following the date of the action

by filing an appeal, along with the applicable fee. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to §1094.5 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, "If you challenge City action on a proposed project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the hearing body at, or

ing(s)." HOW TO OBSERVE AND/OR PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING:

prior to, the public hear-

See the agenda for the Zoom link and dial-in number which will be released at least 72 hours before the meeting is held. Go to www. cityofarcata.org and click on "See Live Meetings, Agendas & Archives.' Select "Planning Commission" from the Meeting Group list and click on the link to the meeting agenda you would like to view. Requests for accessible meeting accommodations should be made in advance by contacting the City Clerk at 707-822-5953.

HOW TO SUBMIT WRITTEN **PUBLIC**

COMMENT: Members of the public may attend the meeting in-person to give their comment, or before the meeting by sending an email to jmateer@cityofarcata.org. Emailed comments WILL NOT be read during the meeting, but will be forwarded to the Planning Commission and included in the written record of the meeting.

Any questions or comments regarding this notice should be directed to Joe Mateer, Senior Planner, at 707-825-2139 or jmateer@cityofarcata. org.

Sequoia Park Zoo talk on reintroducing the Iberian lynx (lynx pardinus)

SEQUOIA PARK ZOO

EUREKA - The Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Lecture Series is virtual for 2021/22 and the next virtual lecture is scheduled for Wednesday, March 16 at 6:45 p.m. Fernando Najera, DVM, MS, Ph.D will join us from the Department of Animal Physiology and Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at Complutense University of Madrid. He will discuss disease surveillance during the reintroduction of the Iberian lynx in Southwestern Spain.

Zoo updates and information will begin at 6:45 p.m. with the lecture starting at 7 p.m. promptly. Attendees can ask questions to the speaker at the end of the presentation via the chat box on Zoom. Logging in through a free, registered Zoom account is required. The Zoom link will be available on our website at SequoiaParkZoo.net and on our social media. This lecture will not be recorded or available on Facebook. Special thanks to Papa & Barkley for sponsoring the Conservation Lecture Series.

The reintroduction of Iberian



IBERIAN LYNX Left, a lynx undergoes a procedure. Right, a lynx is released into the wild. Submitted Photo

lynx (*Lynx pardinus*) populations in Extremadura (Southwestern Spain) has been carried out since 2014. One of the measures to ensure the success of this program is to examine the effects that diseases may have on reintroduction. Since disease may be prevalent at certain sites, reintroduced individuals may present a risk of infection after release. Dr. Nájera received a conservation grant from the Sequoia Park Zoo in 2017 to fund aspects of this project.

Dr. Nájera is a wildlife veterinarian who earned both his veterinary degree and Ph.D. in wildlife physiology at the Complutense University of Madrid. Before enrolling in his Ph.D. program, he worked in zoos and wildlife rehabilitation centers in Spain and Ecuador. During his pre-doctoral research, he served as field veterinarian for the Wildlife Conservation Research Unit, University of Oxford (WildCRU) leading the chemical immobilization of free-ranging Sunda clouded leopards in Malaysian Borneo.

During this time, he also served as the veterinary manager for the Thailand Clouded Leopard Consortium, an ex-situ captive breeding program for mainland clouded leopards and fishing cats, and also performed clinical evaluations of captive Sunda clouded leopards at different facilities from Borneo and Indonesia. After his Ph.D. field work, he served as the field manager for a wolf conservation

project in Idaho, completed an internship in Zoological, Exotic and Wildlife Medicine at the Oklahoma State University and lastly, led the disease surveillance program for the Iberian lynx reintroduction project and the sympatric carnivore community in Southwestern, Central, and South-Central Spain.

Fernando is currently the Canid Conservation Initiative postdoctoral fellow at the Institute for Conservation Medicine and the Wild-Care Institute (Saint Louis Zoo), the Endangered Wolf Center and the Washington University at Saint Louis. Fernando is passionate and devoted to the field of wildlife and zoological medicine with a special interest in free-ranging carnivore medicine and conservation.

For help with the Zoom app, email cac@sequoiaparkzoo.net by March 14.

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Join Zoom Meeting by Phone: +16699006833,,86225621519 #,,,,*582545# US (San Jose)

DUNE RESTORATION Friends of the Dunes will hold a dune ecosystem restoration workday on Saturday, March 12 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Ln. in Manila. Join us as we restore the dune ecosystems of the Humboldt Coastal Nature Cen-

ter & BLM's Ma-le'l Dunes South. COVID-19 safety

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practices will be in place. We ask that you wear masks while gathered and continue practicing social distancing. Drop-in volunteers are welcome! No prior knowledge is required. Training in plant identification and removal practices will be provided.

BIRDING AT THE MARSH

Join Redwood Region Audubon Society for a free guided bird walk at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, March 12 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Meet leader Gary Friedrichsen at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata. The month of March will bring in some early terrestrial migrants, like warblers, flycatchers, and vireos, while still hosting an abundance



of wintering shorebirds and ducks. We will spend time birding by ear, while also keeping an eye out for early nesting activity from resident breeders as well. It should be a good opportunity to see some flocks gearing up for their northward push. Let us know you plan to attend by text/messaging Ralph Bucher at (707) 499-1247, or email thebook@ reninet.com with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant.

HUMBOLDT WILDLIFE **REFUGE** Join Redwood Region Audubon Society free guided bird walk on Sunday, March 13 from 9 to 11 a.m. at Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Meet leader Ralph Bucher for a walk along the Shorebird Loop Trail where songbirds, raptors, waders, and water birds have been spending the winter. The month of March is a great time to see early minigratory songbirds like warblers, sparrows, and

thrushes in the productive wetland and riparian habitats of this iconic Humboldt birding spot. The two-mile walk is along an easily accessible flat gravel trail. To sign up for this field trip email Ralph at thebook@ reninet.com. **BEGINNING BIRDWATCH-**Audubon Society

ING Join Redwood Region

Beginning for Birdwatching & Project Feeder-Watch on Saturday, March 19 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Jacoby Creek School Garden just north of Jacoby

Creek School in Bayside. Drop-in anytime between 10 a.m. and noon., every third Saturday through April 9. Everyone is welcome to come watch and learn about birds in an informal, family friendly setting. Bring binoculars and be prepared to wear a mask grants, so keep a look out and practice social distancfor COVID-19 participation guidelines. For more information, contact Denise Seeger daseeger@gmail.com.

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cuss the history of the marsh and area, stop by water treatment facilities, and follow Butcher Slough to each of the three enhancement marshes before returning to the parking lot around 11 a.m. If there are any specialties nearby, we sometimes alter the route. These are casual, general interest walks that highlight birds,

> other wildlife, plants and shared stories and discoveries by all participants. We look forward to seeing you there. Let us know you plan to attend by text/messaging Ralph Bucher at

(707) 499-1247, or email thebook@reninet.com with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant.

SPRING EQUINOX CELE-**BRATION** Join us in welcoming the spring during the family-friendly Spring Equinox Celebration on Saturday, March 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane in Manila. We will be celebrating with spring-themed activities in nature including a Dune Scavenger Hunt, Wildflower Walk, and a Spring Storytime. This is a free, Spanish bilingual event geared for families with young children (ages 3-10), spring-themed snacks will be provided. RSVP is recommended but not required, contact us at (707) 444-1397.

NATIVE PLANT HOPE The California Native Plant Society (CNPS) invites the public to a Zoom presentation, "Native Plants Provide Hope for a Bee, a Forest, and a People," on Wednesday March 9 at 7:30 p.m. Visit northcoastcnps.org for a link to the Zoom presentation, or attend the watch party at Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd. Arcata. Masks required. Last summer native bee expert, native plant grower, and ethnobotanist Brian Dykstra looked for an endangered bumble bee in the Trinity Alps, for rare plants in the footprint of the August Fire, and also helped Native People get access to traditional plants. He will share that journey and the hopeful trend that he found. The watch party at the Lodge starts with a social gathering at 7 p.m. CNPS hosts free public presentations on the second Wednesday of each month, September through May. (707) 822-2015, northcoastcnps.org.

FROM THE FLOOR TO THE **CANOPY** The Natural His tory Museum of Cal Poly Humboldt (NHM) is accepting and promoting enrollment for its online "From the Floor to the Canopy" an after school enrichment program about forests. This program is suited for 7- to 12-yearolds and takes place Monday through Friday, March 28 to April 1 from 4 to 5:15 p.m.. Cost \$25 regular or \$20 for NHM members and includes a packet full of fun and engaging activities. Go natmus.humboldt.edu for more information. The last day to register is Monday, March 22. natmus@ humboldt.edu



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